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PATENT APPLICATION

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## RESPONSE AFTER FINAL PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.116

Dear Sir:

**[XXX] NO FEES ARE PAYABLE WITH RESPECT TO THIS RESPONSE.**

In response to the official action mailed March 30, 2006, please enter the following before reconsideration of this application.

**In the Specification:**

Please amend paragraphs [024] and [032] of the specification as follows in which the specification additions are shown by underlining and the specification deletions are shown by strikeout. Please enter the replacement specification paragraphs into the record of this case.

**In the Claims:**

Please cancel claim 21, without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter therein, and amend claim 17 and 18 as follows in which the claim additions are shown by underlining